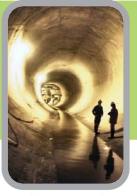
### **WALLER CREEK TUNNEL PROJECT**







**Tunnel example** 



**Tunnel shaft from below** 



**Tunnel shaft from above** 



**Tunnel outlet** 

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**CONSTRUCTION UPDATE** 



# MESSAGE FROM MAYOR PRO TEM COLE

**W** e are very pleased with the recent news that the University of Texas has decided to locate the new Dell Medical School on Waller Creek. The medical school and indigent care

provided by the hospital facilities fill critical vacancies in Austin when it opens in 2016 but, importantly, the project is also anticipated to be a dynamic economic driver for the region. The development of the life science industry along the Waller Creek corridor will continue to grow and attract the tax base that ultimately finances the TIF Zone that pays for the Waller Creek Tunnel. It is truly exciting times as we progress towards the long anticipated completion of the tunnel construction in 2014.

#### **OUTLET**

he contractor has finished installing the concrete wall portion of the coffer dam, enabling work crews to begin safely excavating the lagoon without lake water seeping in. Workers have also begun decorative installing the limestone rock that will cover all exposed concrete surfaces. The limestone, along with native plantings, will help create a more natural look for the outlet lagoon.



## WALLER CREEK



#### **INLET AT WATERLOO PARK**

The contractor has completed a significant portion of underground work on the inlet, including three floors of the maintenance building and the tunnel "stub" that will connect to the main tunnel shaft. Following this, work will begin on aboveground sections of the building and on the creek channel/pond that will capture and direct flood waters into the tunnel. The inlet in Waterloo Park, along with the remaining tunnel components, is scheduled to be operational by the end of 2014.

### THE MAIN TUNNEL

The main tunnel has reached a key milestone with completion of excavation work. The next step will be to line the milelong tunnel with concrete. This process will take approximately a year to complete. While concrete work is occurring, there will be increased truck traffic in the evening and at night along the tunnel route (Fourth Street, 12th Street and in the vicinity of Cesar Chavez and Trinity.)

Planning is also underway on construction of the above ground portions of the project that will direct flood waters into the tunnel once it is operational.



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## TUNNEL PROJECT